

REGISTER OF CLASSIFICATION DECISIONS

Title of Publication: Cool Devices Series

Other Known Title: Cool Devices Vol 1

Format: DVD

Director/Author: Osamu Shimokawa, et al.

Producer/Publisher: Masashi Oda, et al.

Country of Origin: Japan

Language: English

Applicant: The Film and Video Labelling Body Inc.

Distributor: Gamewizz Digital Entertainment

Classification:	The unexcised version of this publication is classified as Objectionable . The excised version of this publication is classified as Objectionable except if the availability of the publication is restricted to persons who have attained the age of 18 years .
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Descriptive Note: Not Applicable

Display Conditions: Not Applicable

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Date of direction to issue a label: Not Applicable

OFLC No: 702687

Unexcised version of publication:

	Components	Running time
Menu:	Play All Episodes Setup Bonus	
Timed components:	Operation 1: Curious Fruit Operation 2: Sacred Girl Copyright / Siren Notices Cool Devices Series (Trailer) Cool Devices Vol 2 Girl Next Door	27.47 25.22 0.07 0.09 1.12 1.01
Total running time:		55.38

Excisions: Excisions Recommended But Not Made

Reasons for excisions:

An excision is necessary to remove an episode which explicitly depicts a sexual relationship between a brother and sister, and presents incest as enjoyable and satisfying.

**Summary of reasons
for classification:**

The DVD *Cool Devices Series* is classified as:
Objectionable.

Cool Devices Series is a collection of Japanese animated sexually explicit material. This material includes two episodes, each of which has a running time of around 26 minutes, and two trailers. The Classification Office required an excision to the DVD to remove one of the episodes, which explicitly depicts a sexual relationship between a brother and sister, and presents incest as enjoyable and satisfying. The publication promotes and encourages criminal acts, in the form of incest. The distributor of the publication declined to make the excision and so the publication is classified as objectionable.

The Classification Office has considered the effects of the New Zealand Bill of Rights Act (1990) on the application of the classification criteria under the Films, Videos, and Publications Classification Act 1993. The classification of objectionable interferes with adults' freedom of expression as set out in the Bill of Rights. However, this right needs to be balanced against the likely injury to the public good from making available a publication that promotes criminal activity. The classification of objectionable reflects the concerns of New Zealand's democratic society, as set out by Parliament in the FVPC Act, that such publications should not be available. This is the minimum restriction that can be applied to prevent injury to the public good.